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TITLE: EQUIPMENT FOR EXTRACTING ROOT POST PROSTHETIC ELEMENTS OR IMPLANTS

Preliminary Amendment: ABSTRACT AMENDMENTS

On page 15, please amend the paragraph as follows:

The invention concerns ~~an~~ equipment for extracting root post prosthetic elements or implants, consisting of ~~, such as~~ an instrument including two levers ~~(1A, 1B)~~ assembled together by a pivoting and non-intersecting articulation ~~(2)~~, each of ~~said~~ the levers ~~thus comprising~~ having a handle ~~(3A, 3B)~~ and an extracting branch ~~(4A, 4B)~~ extending on either side of ~~said~~ the articulation ~~(2)~~ such that when the two handles ~~(3A, 3B)~~ are brought closer together, the two extracting branches ~~(4A, 4B)~~ are spaced apart. The invention is characterized in that the ends ~~(4A', 4B')~~ of the extracting branches ~~(4A, 4B)~~ of ~~said~~ the instruments are curved so as to form an angle with the remaining part of ~~said~~ the branches, and in that it comprises. There are U-shaped extracting end pieces ~~(5A, 5B)~~ designed to be removably positioned and pivotably mounted, at the curved ends ~~(4A', 4B')~~ of the extracting branches ~~(4A, 4B)~~.